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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of documents (3) to (6) are enclosed.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,202,828
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 6,041,335
- (3) "Implementation Of Image Annotation" IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin, IBM Corp. New York, US, vol. 39, no. 2, February 1996 (1996-02), pages 25-26, XP000559805 ISSN: 0018-8689
- (4) Van Cleynenbreugel J. et al.: "Annotating radiological images for computer assisted communication and teaching", Computer Communications, Elsevier Science Publishers BV, Amsterdam, NL, vol. 19, no. 6, June 1996 (1996-06), pages 498-508, XP004052736 ISSN: 0140-3664

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- (5) Kuchinsky A. et al.: "Fotofile: A Consumer Multimedia Organization And Retrieval System", Chi '99 Conference Proceedings Human Factors In Computing Systems. Pittsburgh, PA, May 15-20, 1999, Chi Conference Proceedings. Human Factors In Computing Systems, New York, NY: ACM, US, 15 May 1999 (1999-05-15), pages 496-503, XP000894256 ISBN: 0-201-48559-1
- (6) Wei G. et al: "Face detection for image annotation", Pattern Recognition Letters, North-Holland Publ. Amsterdam, NL, vol. 20, no. 11-13, November 1999 (1999-11), pages 1313-1321, XP004490766 ISSN: 0167-8655

These documents were cited during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the European Search Report, which is dated January 30, 2006, is enclosed.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement accompanies a Request For Continued Examination (RCE), it is believed that the Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4).

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicants with the next communication.

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